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## County Celebrates Re-Grand Opening of Teepee Creek Fire Hall

Today County Council; Chris Warkentin, MP for Peace River; firefighters; and residents gathered to celebrate the re-opening of Teepee Creek Fire Hall.



From left to right: County Fire Chief Everett Cooke, Sparky, Fire Captain Corey Beck, County Councillor Mary Ann Eckstrom, Peace River MP Chris Warkentin, and County Councillor Harold Bulford.

“The County would like to thank the federal government for investing in our community’s infrastructure,” says Mary Ann Eckstrom, Area Councillor. “This upgrade to the Teepee Creek Fire Hall helps us achieve our main goal of keeping our firefighters and communities safe.”



“Our government is committed to investing in essential infrastructure in Peace Country communities. I am proud of this investment in the Teepee Creek Fire Hall,” said MP Warkentin. “The upgrades will support our dedicated firefighters and provide them with the essential tools to help keep this community safe.”

Last March, the federal government supported the County of Grande Prairie Fire Service through the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund (CIIF) Grant program in the amount of \$26,010. The County covered the remaining cost (26 K) of the renovations to Teepee Creek Fire Hall making the total cost of the project approximately \$56,000.

“This investment went towards extending the Fire Hall front bay; adding administrative facilities; and upgrading the building’s insulation, plumbing and electrical systems,” says Everett Cooke, County Fire Chief. “We are grateful for the support received from the federal government on this project – it has helped extend the facility’s life and provided our dedicated firefighters with additional tools to continue effectively and safely serving our community for the years to come.”

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